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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2008, for two months, from November 12, 2008 to January 12, 2008.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the Deposit Account No. 01-2340 in the amount of \$490.00 to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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